



HAVEN HIGH

ATTENDANCE MATTERS

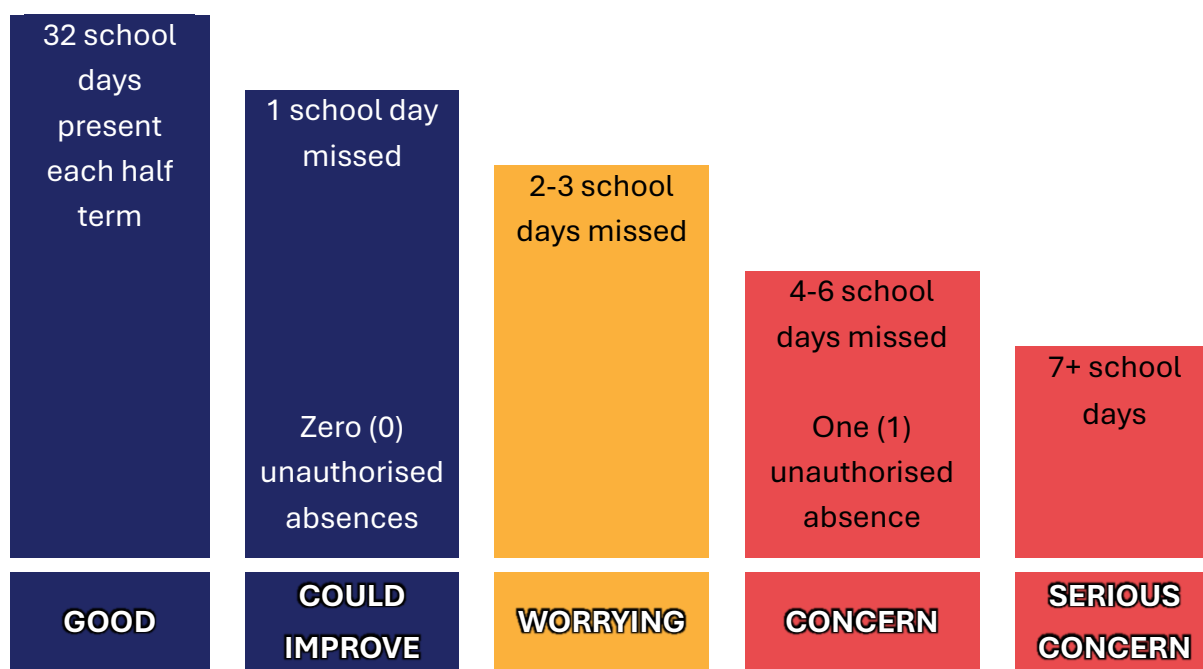
WHAT DO WE MEAN BY 'GOOD ATTENDANCE'

At Haven High we know that attending school every day is important. When a student attends frequently, they do better, gain confidence, are likely to have better mental health and can push themselves further to achieve more.

Ideally, children should attend every school day. There are 32 school days in the average half term and we expect learners to be in school for all of them.

Missing just 3 days in a half term is approximately the same as having one day off every 2 weeks. We know that in the world of work, no employer would accept that level of absence and so we need to teach our children the importance of turning up every day.

EXPECTED ATTENDANCE FOR EACH HALF TERM



Every day off is 6 missed lessons and 6½ hours in school. The work missed in every lesson needs to be caught up in the children's own time.

A child who misses 5 school days – equivalent to a week – will soon start finding it challenging to catch up, which can spiral into further absences.